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BY HAND

~~The Honorable Patti B. Saris~~
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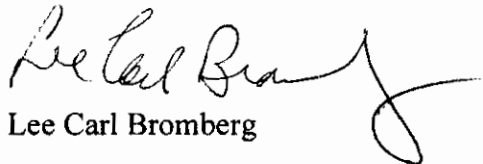
Re *ScanSoft v. Voice Signal Technologies, Inc. et al*, Civil Action No. 04-10353 PBS
Our File 2639/509

Your Honor:

We believe it would be helpful for counsel to have a brief, informal chambers conference with Your Honor on Friday, May 12, 2006, following your 11 a.m. telephone discussion with Professor Ney, the neutral expert in the above-referenced case. The neutral expert procedure presents some issues which Professor Ney has expressed concern about and which we think could best be worked out in an informal discussion with Your Honor after you have had a chance to speak to him.

Would it be possible for counsel to see Your Honor for a brief informal conference in chambers at some point on Friday after your telephone discussion with Professor Ney?

Respectfully Submitted,



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